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GENEVA FOR WISNER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, MZ, RH

SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE PRESS ON RHODESIA

1. THE FIGHTING. AFTER FRONT-PAGE HEADLINES NOVEMBER 20 OF HEAVY FIGHTING IN GAZA PROVINCE, WEEKEND COVERAGE OF FIGHTING IS SPARSE. NOVEMBER 21 PAPERS REPORT MERELY THAT FIGHTING CONTINUES TO BE INTENSE, AND THAT MOZAMBIKAN FORCES ARE REPULSING RHODESIAN EFFORTS TO ADVANCE. THERE NO MENTION OF FIGHTING IN NOVEMBER 22 NOTICIAS:

2. GENEVA CONFERENCE. CONVERAGE OF GENEVA CONFERENCE IS BASED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY ON INTERNATIONAL WIRE SERVICE STORIES. BOTH NOTICIAS AND NOTICIAS DA BEIRA HOWEVER, COMMENT THAT THE WORK AT THE CONFERENCE HAS REACHED AN IMPASSE "OWING TO BRITISH REFUSAL TO FIX THE DATE FOR INDEPENDENCE AS INSISTED BY THE PARTIOTIC FRONT."

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3. SMITH'S TV INTERVIEW. NOTICIAS DA BEIRA (BUT NOT NOTICIAS OF MAPUTO) QUOTES SMITH'S STATEMENT THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD PROMISED MATERIAL SUPPORT, INCLUDING MILITARY ASSISTANCE IN CASE THE GENEVA CONFERENCE FAILS BECAUSE OF THE NATIONALIST, STATE DEPARTMENT'S DENIAL IS NOTED. THIS IS FOLLOWED BY OBSERVATION THAT THE U.S. HAS A PRESIDENT-ELECT ABOUT TO TAKE OFFICE AND "IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHAT ATTITUDE THE NEW AMERICAN PRESIDENT WILL TAKE."

4. ZIPA BROADCAST. NOTICIAS DA BEIRA CONTINUES TO PUBLISH THE TEXT OF ZIPA BROADCASTS ON RADIO MOZAMBIQUE. IN TEXT PUBLISHED NOVEMBER 21, ZIPA CONTENDS THAT THE ZIMBABWEAN PEOPLE WILL "NEVER" BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE TRU INDEPENDENCE AT THE CONFERENCE TABLE, AND WARNS ZIMBABWEANS TO BEWARE OF INDIVIDUAL LEADERS WHO WOULD "COMPROMISE WITH THE ENEMY."

5. TEXT OF INTERVIEW WITH SENATOR CLARK WHICH APPEARED IN NOVEMBER 21 NOTICIAS DA BEIRA BEING REPORTED SEPTEL. DE PREE

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